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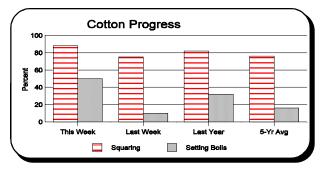
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## **CROP SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING JULY 7, 2002**

**NEW MEXICO:** There were 6.2 days suitable for field work. High winds mid-week caused 25% light and 3% moderate damage to crops. Farmers were again busy maintaining fields, cutting hay and irrigating fields. Irrigated sorghum planting has been completed and dryland made a slight increase to 27% due to moisture received along the state's east side. Chile, cotton and corn conditions continued to improve due to warm temperatures. Cotton squaring was at 88% and setting bolls at 50%. Corn silked was reported at 35% and chile pod set was 32% light, 66% average and 2% heavy. Alfalfa was in mostly fair to good condition, with the 2<sup>nd</sup> cutting 85% complete, the 3<sup>rd</sup> cutting 55% complete, and the 4<sup>th</sup> cutting 25% complete. Wheat remained in mostly very poor to fair condition with 96% of the crop harvested. Onions were in good condition with harvest 92% completed. Peanuts were reported in fair to good condition. Ranchers were especially glad to see the rains come but more are needed as tanks remain low and livestock are eating new grass as fast as it comes up. Supplemental feeding and hauling water continued. Pasture and range feed conditions improved to 46% very poor, 37% poor, 15% fair and 2% good.

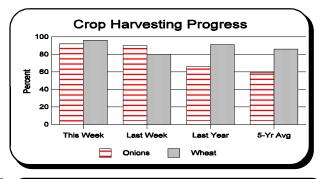
**CROP PROGRESS PERCENTAGES WITH COMPARISONS** 

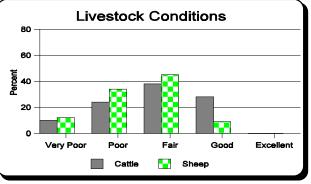
CROP PROGRESS		This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Average
PLANTED	Sorghum (Total)	55	55	93	93
SILKING	Corn	35	15	25	13
SQUARING	Cotton	88	75	82	76
SETTING BOLLS	Cotton	50	10	32	16
HARVESTED	Onions	92	90	66	59
	Wheat	96	80	91	86



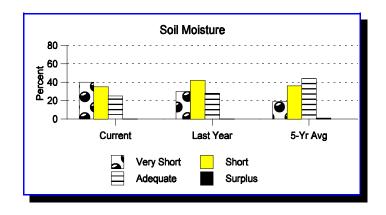


	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	4	15	43	32	6
Apples	40	55	5		
Chile	_	1	24	50	25
Corn		1	39	48	12
Cotton	1	6	44	33	16
Irr. Sorghum		1	82	16	1
Onions	_		20	50	30
Peanuts			71	27	2
Wheat (All)	50	17	14	18	1
Cattle	10	24	38	28	
Sheep	12	34	45	9	





#### SOIL MOISTURE PERCENTAGES Very Short Adequate Surplus Short Northwest 50 27 23 Northeast 40 46 14 Southwest 50 25 25-Southeast 26 34 40 State 40 35 25 28 State-Last Year 30 42 19 36 State-5-Yr Avg. 44



# **WEATHER SUMMARY**

An increase in moisture from both the Gulf of Mexico and Pacific helped fuel hit and miss thunderstorms each day. The eastern half of the state received most of the benefit while precipitation amounts were spotty and light in the west. Temperatures were normal to slightly below normal in the east, but a little above normal in the west. The statewide average was 1 degree above normal. Early in the week, maximums reached 100 degrees at a number of lower-elevation locations in the south and west.

**NEW MEXICO WEATHER CONDITIONS JULY 01-07 2002** 

	Temperature		Precipitation					
Station	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	07/01	07/01	Normal	01/01	Normal
				07/07	07/07	July	07/07	Jan-Jul
Carlsbad	80.4	98	64	1.46	1.46	1.79	4.32	5.74
Tatum	74.9	92	59	1.57	1.57	2.52	7.00	8.69
Roswell	78.8	97	64	0.70	0.70	1.99	7.28	6.74
Clayton	73.6	96	60	Т	0.00	2.70	1.43	9.00
Clovis	76.9	95	61	1.53	1.53	2.56	3.84	9.57
Roy	70.1	91	55	1.72	1.72	2.97	4.04	9.03
Tucumcari	77.7	100	61	1.26	1.26	3.30	3.80	8.57
Chama	65.6	91	44	0.16	0.16	2.24	2.21	11.08
Johnson Ranch	72.4	97	50	0.02	0.02	1.66	1.04	5.43
Capulin	66.9	92	50	2.30	2.30	3.25	5.87	10.52
Las Vegas	69.2	93	49	1.00	1.00	3.31	1.88	9.07
Los Alamos	69.2	89	53	0.29	0.29	3.25	2.21	9.66
Raton	67.1	94	43	0.49	0.49	2.66	3.88	9.82
Santa Fe	72.2	95	53	0.12	0.12	2.38	1.99	7.64
Red River	57.4	79	37	1.13	1.13	3.01	5.53	11.93
Farmington	78.9	101	58	0.05	0.05	0.94	0.56	4.31
Gallup	72.5	97	46	0.33	0.33	1.91	1.38	6.10
Grants	72.9	98	49	0.28	0.28	1.76	1.91	4.79
Silver City	73.9	96	46	0.21	0.21	2.65	0.21	7.55
Quemado	71.4	94	50	0.11	0.11	2.37	0.83	6.56
Albuquerque	79.8	101	63	0.04	0.04	1.37	1.02	4.42
Carrizozo	75.5	100	55	0.00	0.00	2.05	2.37	5.55
Gran Quivera	71.7	99	48	0.59	0.59	2.81	1.90	7.52
Moriarty	72.0	99	50	0.31	0.31	2.38	2.09	6.37
Ruidoso	65.8	90	45	1.09	1.09	4.02	3.85	10.99
Socorro	75.4	101	51	0.05	0.05	1.44	0.84	3.94
Alamogordo	78.6	100	55	0.00	0.00	2.23	0.00	5.51
Animas	84.6	105	66	0.00	0.00	2.26	1.28	4.74
Deming	82.6	106	57	0.02	0.02	2.15	1.73	4.43
T or C	81.9	106	56	0.10	0.10	1.86	0.96	4.44
Las Cruces	81.9	103	58	0.06	0.06	1.36	1.35	3.63

<sup>(</sup>T) Trace (-) No Report (\*) Corrections

All reports based on preliminary data. Precipitation data corrected monthly from official observation forms.

## 2001 PECAN PRODUCTION

**NEW MEXICO:** Pecan production in New Mexico for 2001 totaled 60 million pounds, a 71% increase over the previous year's total of 35 million. This was a record breaking year for New Mexico rising above the previous record established 1999 which produced 52 million pounds. The crop, at harvest time, was rated in good to excellent condition. Price per pound, however, dropped to \$0.64 per pound compared to \$1.37 the previous year. Value of production declined to \$38.4 million compared to previous year's value of 48.0 million.

**UNITED STATES:** Pecan production totaled 169,300 tons, a 61 percent increase from 2000. The pecan crop translated into a 16 percent decrease in value due to a 48 percent drop in price per pound.

All Pecans: Utilized Production, Price and Value of Production, State and U.S., 2000-2001

	Utilized Production		Price Per	Pound	Value of Production	
State	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001
	1,000 Pounds		Dollar	·s	1,000 Dollars	
Improved Varieties <sup>1/</sup>						
AL	10,000	10,000	0.900	0.580	9,000	5,800
AZ	14,500	21,000	1.310	0.460	18,995	9,660
AR	650	1,950	1.000	0.600	650	1,170
CA	3,400	3,700	1.520	0.810	5,168	2,997
FL	1,200	1,200	1.050	0.510	1,260	612
GA	65,000	85,000	1.230	0.660	79,950	56,100
LA	3,500	3,500	1.250	0.600	4,375	2,100
MS	2,500	3,000	0.970	0.650	2,425	1,950
NM	35,000	60,000	1.370	0.640	47,950	38,400
NC	1,400	2,700	1.150	0.650	1,610	1,755
OK	200	2,000	1.300	0.530	260	1,060
SC	1,200	2,500	1.110	0.640	1,332	1,600
TX	22,000	50,000	1.300	0.800	28,600	40,000
U.S.	160,550	246,550	1.260	0.662	201,575	163,204
Native & Seedling						
AL	5,000	5,000	0.600	0.360	3,000	1,800
AR	250	650	0.750	0.400	188	260
FL	2,100	2,100	0.600	0.420	1,260	882
GA	15,000	25,000	0.980	0.450	14,700	11,250
KS	550	2,200	0.830	0.400	457	880
LA	14,500	10,500	0.600	0.350	8,700	3,675
MS	1,000	1,500	0.520	0.450	520	675
NC	200	500	0.800	0.450	160	225
OK	2,300	18,000	0.800	0.420	1,840	7,560
SC	400	1,500	0.920	0.460	368	690
TX	8,000	25,000	0.750	0.400	6,000	10,000
U.S.	49,300	91,950	0.754	0.412	37,193	37,897
TOTAL ALL PECANS	209,850	338,500	1.140	0.594	238,768	201,101

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1/</sup> Budded, grafted, or topworked varieties.

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## **AGRICULTURAL PRICES RECEIVED**

**NEW MEXICO:** Alfalfa hay prices in June averaged \$140.00 per ton, an increase of \$4.00 from May 2002, \$19.00 over the June 2001 price and 37% over the national average of \$102.00. All hay prices in June averaged 137.00 per ton, up \$4.00 from May and \$18.00 from June 2001. This was 43% above the national average of \$95.80. Livestock prices continue to decline. Cow prices decreased by \$2.80 per hundredweight to \$36.20. This compares to \$39.00 in May 2002 and \$47.00 in June 2001 and falls \$2.50 below the national average of \$38.70. Steer and heifer prices, at \$74.70 per hundredweight dropped slightly below the previous month's price of \$75.00. This, however, was \$8.90 above the U.S. average of \$65.80. Calf prices came in at \$84.30 per hundredweight, \$6.60 below the previous month's price and \$10.60 below the U.S. average of \$94.90. Milk prices of \$11.40 per hundredweight, were \$0.20 below May 2002 and \$4.40 below the previous year price of \$15.80. The June price of \$11.40 was \$0.50 below the national average of \$11.90.

Prices Received by Farmers: Selected Commodities, May 2002 and June 2001-02

		New Mexico			U.S. <sup>1/</sup>		
Commodity	Unit	June 2001	May 2002 <sup>2/</sup>	June 2002 1/	June		
CROPS		Dollars					
Grain Sorghum	Cwt				3.33		
Cotton, Upland	Lb				.303		
Potatoes	Cwt				9.63		
Hay, all baled	Ton	119.00	133.00	137.00	95.80		
Alfalfa, baled	Ton	121.00	136.00	140.00	102.00		
Peanuts	Lb						
Corn	Bu				1.94		
Wheat, all	Bu				2.86		
LIVESTOCK							
Sheep <sup>3/</sup>	Cwt				28.60		
Lambs <sup>3/</sup>	Cwt				64.30		
Cows	Cwt	47.00	39.00	36.20	38.70		
Steers & Heifers	Cwt	88.00	75.00	74.70	65.80		
Calves	Cwt	99.40	90.90	84.30	94.90		
Milk(Monthly Release)	Cwt	15.80	11.60	11.40	11.90		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1/</sup> Mid-month. <sup>2/</sup>Entire month. <sup>3/</sup>June- Entire Month